

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – July 1, 2021 Weekly Grand Traverse County Beach Report

Samples Collected June 30, Reported July 1

GRAND TRAVERSE BAY

<u>Beach</u>	This weeks sample results E. coli count per 100ml	30 day Geometric Mean	Water Quality Index
West End	9	N.A.	1
Clinch Park	67	N.A.	1
Bryant Park	113	N.A.	1
East Bay Park	481	N.A.	2
Traverse City State Park	58	N.A.	1
Acme Bayside Park	481	N.A.	2
Sayler Park	41	N.A.	1
Sunset Park	291	N.A.	1
TC Senior Center	152	N.A.	1
TC Volleyball Beach	40	N.A.	1

Water Quality Index	Body Contact Limits	E.coli/100ml (Single Event)	E.coli/100ml (30 day geo- mean)
Level 1	E. coli levels meet MDEQ swimming standards for full body contact.	0-300	0-130
Level 2	E. coli levels meet MDEQ standards for wading, fishing, and boating. Contact above the waist not advised.	301-1000	131-1000
Level 3	E. coli levels exceed MDEQ standards, no body contact advised.	>1000	>1000
Level 4	Health Alert. E. coli levels and/or known gross contamination of beach waters. Avoid contact with beach waters.		

Note: Beach samples are routinely collected once a week. Therefore E. coli levels may not meet the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) standards between sampling days. E. coli levels are more likely to increase after a storm.

Note: Beaches are sampled using the composite sampling method approved by EGLE. Follow-up samples after a Level 2, 3, or 4 will utilize geometric mean.